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1. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS PROVIDED US WITH AN
ENGLISH LANGUAGE VERSION OF STATEMENT MADE BY FOREIGN MINISTER
CAGLAYANGIL AUGUST 5 CONCERNING THE SUCCESSION QUESTION IN
CYPRUS. BEGIN TEXT:

"THE CONSTITUTION OF CYPRUS IS BEING VIOLATED SINCE 1963 BY
THE GREEK CYPRIOTS. PARTICULARLY AT THE PRESENT SITUATION IT IS
NOT POSSIBLE TO BASE THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION.
BECAUSE THE INSTITUTIONS FORESEEN BY THE CONSTITUTION OF 1960 ARE
TODAY EITHER NON-EXISTENT OR THEY DO NOT CONFORM TO THE PROVISIONS
OF THE CONSTITUTION. THE RIGHTS OF THE TURKISH COMMUNITY WHICH IS
A PARTNER IN THE STATE OF CYPRUS HAVE BEEN CONTINUOUSLY VIOLATED.

"IT IS FOR THIS REASON THAT MR NEJAT KONUK, PRIME MINISTER
OF THE TURKISH FEDERATED STATE OF CYPRUS, HAS, IN A STATEMENT
DATED AUGUST 3, 1977, INDICATED THAT THE NEW GREEK CYPRIOT LEADER TO
BE ELECTED WOULD ONLY REPRESENT THE GREEK CYPRIOT COMMUNITY AND
THAT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR THEM TO ACCEPT THE CLAIM OF THE NEW
LEADER TO BE THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS. THE TURKISH
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GOVERNMENT FULLY SUPPORTS THIS VIEW.

"THE PRESENT GREEK CYPRIOT ADMINISTRATION, WHICH IS NOT
RECOGNIZED BY THE TURKISH CYPRIOT COMMUNITY SINCE 1963 AS THE SOLE
REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CYPRUS GOVERNMENT CANNOT ADVANCE THE SAME
ARGUMENTS PARTICULARLY UNDER THE PRESENT CONDITIONS.

"THE WAY TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GOVERNMENT THAT CAN REPRESENT CYPRUS AS A WHOLE CAN BE FOUND BY AGREEMENT OF THE TWO COMMUNITIES. THEREFORE, IT IS POSSIBLE TO TALK OF THE EXISTENCE IN THE ISLAND OF ONLY TWO AUTONOMOUS ADMINISTRATIONS HAVING EQUAL RIGHTS IN EVERY FIELD, UNTIL A BI-ZONAL, BI-COMMUNAL, INDEPENDENT AND NON-ALIGNED FEDERAL STATE IS ESTABLISHED BY AGREEMENT OF THE TWO COMMUNITIES.

"DURING THE PERIOD UNTIL AN AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED ON A FEDERAL SYSTEM THROUGH PEACEFUL NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THESE TWO AUTONOMOUS ADMINISTRATIONS, A TRANSITIONAL AND JOINT GOVERNMENT CAN BE SET UP. THE TURKISH CYPRIOT LEADERS HAVE MANY TIMES PROPOSED THIS.

"AS FAR AS THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS ARE CONCERNED; AS CLEARLY INDICATED IN THE PROGRAM OF OUR GOVERNMENT, WE PRESERVE THE HOPE THAT A FEDERAL SYSTEM, UNDER WHICH THE TWO COMMUNITIES WILL LIVE IN TWO SEPARATE REGIONS AND WHICH WE BELIEVE WILL BE ABLE TO SAFEGUARD ALL RIGHTS, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROGRESS, PEACE AND SECURITY OF TURKISH CYPRIOTS, CAN ONLY BE REACHED THROUGH PEACEFUL PROCEDURES, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE REALITIES IN THE ISLAND AND THE BITTER INCIDENTS OF THE PAST.

"IT SHOULD NEVER BE FORGOTTEN THAT THE PRINCIPLE OF ABSOLUTE EQUALITY OF THE TWO COMMUNITIES MUST BE THE GOVERNING FACTOR DURING THESE TALKS. I DEEM IT USEFUL TO STRESS THAT THE RELATION-
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SHIP OF THE TWO AUTONOMOUS ADMINISTRATIONS IN CYPRUS CAN ONLY BE BASED ON THE PRINCIPLE OF EQUALITY AND THAT TURKEY WILL NOT ACCEPT, AS THE TURKISH FEDERATED STATE OF CYPRUS DOES NOT, THAT THE NEW LEADER TO BE ELECTED BY THE GREEK CYPRIOT COMMUNITY AND THE GOVERNMENT TO BE FORMED BY HIM BE PRESENTED AS THE GOVERNMENT OF THE WHOLE CYPRUS." END TEXT
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